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Another striking feature—

Without Due Authority

He stood at the
street corner,
looking down at
the growing
fog.

A minute or
two before he had
been standing be-
hind the railings
in the park, ab-
sorbed in an ef-

fort, altogether unavailing, to save the
souls of his fellow-citizens in this
metropolis of evil. A few yards away
a revolutionary bricklayer—out of
work, and with the strongest objec-
tion to being in it—had hurled denun-
ciations at the iniquitous British con-
stitution to the delight of himself and
the amusement of his audience and of
a couple of placidly smiling policemen
who stood near in that impersonal yet
protective attitude characteristic of the
force. A little further on, a "light-ning artist" of tender years furnished
a quiet antidote to gesticulatory au-

thority by the reproduction on paper of
the "Duke of York's baby," to a chor-
us of loyal applause. On the preacher's
other hand, a martyr, whose motives his
country had ignorantly misunder-

stood, perhaps not without just occa-

sion, had related with some feeling,
much abuse of authorities, and more
of that luckless eighth letter of the
alphabet which is the chosen victim of
eloquence in fustian, the melancholy
details of an enforced retreat from
public life, to judge by appear-

ances, he had richly deserved. When
the preacher's audience tired of his
discourse, they had only to turn their
heads to imbibe incipient anarchy and
defected patriotism, or cultivate a
healthy admiration for juvenile talent
and the reigning house—a combination
of conflicting sentiments peculiar to
Hyde Park on a Sunday afternoon.

The other orators, however, had
found compensation for their wrongs
in the delight of airing them at large.

They retired from the field of battle
horses, but triumphant. The preacher's
triumph was a question which he could
only regard as much more dubious. In
moments of despair which sometimes
fell to this lot, he knew that his con-
gregations merely regarded him as an
interlude between the denunciations of
the political bricklayer and the dismal
rhetoric of the ex-chief. But, to do
him justice, these moments were few
and far between. He had fought a hard
battle from a very early age, and defeat
had ceased to depress him save at odd
times when he was, perhaps, a little
colder, hungrier or sadder than it was
his usual fate to be.

As he stood at the corner a hand
was laid on his shoulder, and he turned
to find himself face to face with Dr. Jeff.

They had met before, in slums and by-
ways, and each man knew enough of
the other's life to respect it. "I cannot
assert that Jeff is the little doctor's
real name, and perhaps he has a his-
tory, or a mystery, or both—a skeleton
which he hides in the cupboard at his
shabby lodgings, with the stale bread
and highly unprofessional cheese which
that respectable contains—but I am
sure that there is no kinder soul in all
London, despite his snarls, his sarcasms
and the inexpressibly unorthodox opin-

ions which he scatters broadcast in his
way. All men have their hypocrisies,
and he has his. It is his delight to
shock people, to pose as something very
little better than the archfiend himself.

I have seen him succeed admirably in
his deception with strangers. Those
who know the good little man know
also that he would not willingly know
a butterfly's wing, nor offend the dis-

creet and most melodious tabby that
serenades his hard-earned slumbers.

Even now, as the preacher turned his
white face and tired eyes upon him
and forced a smile, there was a char-
itable scheme brewing in Jeff's mind.

"Fulfilled something?" he asked, grat-
fully. "Walk my way, you'll amuse
himself weather!"

He spoke with a savage air, as though
the weather and he were on terms of
violent hostility. Jeff's manner gen-
erally suggested the feudist and the
stiletto and other paraphernalia of
medieval murder.

They walked for some time in silence,
during which the doctor eyed his com-
panion with a bloodthirsty expression
of countenance.

"Better give it up," he said at last.
"Wearing yourself out for nothing. All
bosh!"

"Is it?" asked the preacher, half
sadly. "Sometimes I—I almost wish
my profession allowed me to think so,
but, doctor. But it doesn't."

"Hang your profession!" jerked out
Jeff. "You're not a parson?"

"No."

"Ever been one?"

"No."

"Then, why in the name of common-
sense do you go and earn some
money? My good fellow, you're—"

He stopped awkwardly, with a
queer glance at the preacher's thin face
and shabby clothes.

"What's the good of preaching?" he
went on, changing his sentence.
"The world's very well for a great
many centuries before you were born;
it'll go very well for many more after
you're buried. Let it go!"

The preacher's deep eyes flashed.
"I'll never do that," he said, quietly.
They had walked a considerable way,
and Jeff looked up with a well-assumed
start of surprise.

"Hanged if this isn't my place! I
never meant to bring you all this way.
Come in and rest."

Without Due Authority

The preacher hesitated; but he did
not wish to give offence, and finally
they tramped up the narrow stairs to
Jeff's sanctum—a little sitting-room
with hideous cheap furniture, a flaring
paper, and a table littered with books.

It was all very cheerless, very dingy,
but Jeff waved his guest to a chair
with a certain dignity foreign to his
usual manner—a survival, perhaps, of
other ways of life, and of other visi-

tant than street preachers. After all,
it is the man who makes his surround-
ings. A parvenu can be vulgar in a
palace; our little doctor, despite his
bluster, might have been a prince in
disguise.

So the preacher thought as he sat
down in the armchair—black, horsehair
covered, and deficient in the matter of
springs—and glanced round the room
at the well-worn books, at the oil-stove,
which smelt abominably, at the cup-
board where the skeleton clattered its
empty jaws among dry crusts and an-
cient cheese.

"Not much of a place, is it?" said
Jeff. "We've known better, both of
us. But it does—anything does. Ex-
cuse me, but I want my supper. Do
you mind my getting it? Coin don't
run to many cups. But perhaps
you'll help me? Hate solitary meals—
always did; bad for the digestion. Pah!
how that infernal thing does
manure, to be sure!"

Of course the preacher saw through
the device, and his clumsy, kindly
delicacy touched him as few things had
done of late. He murmured some
commonplace reply, and proceeded to
take a tender interest in the retir-

ing of the stove. I fancy there were
tears in his tired eyes as he fumbled
with the matches, and that he blessed
Jeff's grumpy hospitality with a fervor
which would have astonished the
doctor, who had received so little
gratitude in his time that he had out-

grown the usual habit of expecting it.

He did not look at his guest as he
hunted in the cupboard and brought
out such modest provision as it con-
tained; and presently the preacher rose
and began to set the table ready in
silence. As he lifted one of the books,
something on its faded cover caught
his eye. On the brown leather was
stamped a coat-of-arms, almost indis-

tinguishable by reason of its antiquity.
Jeff saw the glance directed toward
him, took the book from his compan-

ion's hand and flung it roughly into a
corner.

"Somebody's aristocratic vulgar-
ity," he said shortly. "What do they want
to scatter their stupid quarters about
for? I picked it up second-hand."

The preacher went on silently with
his task. He was quite aware that
the book had not been picked up
second-hand, but he did not even look
at it as he doubted Jeff's statement. Only
I think the skeleton sidled a little
closer to the cupboard door. It is a
thing which all skeletons will do at
times.

The two men sat down at the table
and began their supper. They did not
talk much at first; but presently Jeff
pushed back his chair and glanced
across at the preacher.

"I told you a lie just now," he said.
The preacher looked up, and the two
men's eyes met.

"I know you did," he answered,
simply.

"I thought you didn't know. Rather
pride myself on telling a lie neatly.
Learned it at school—about the only
thing I did learn there. Ah, now I've
stuck you."

"No," answered the other, sadly.
"I am not easily shocked."

"New sort of snarl, eh? Well,
we've had about enough of the old."

There was silence for a moment, and
then Jeff said:

"How did you know?"

"By the way you flung the book."

"Ah! I saw you looking at the old
shield, and it hurt. Old how small
things do hurt sometimes. Perhaps
you know that, too?"

"I know it very well," murmured
the preacher, with his eyes cast down.

"Thought you did," said Jeff, with
a little smile which had a touch of
irony in it.

The little doctor could never be
quite serious—his retrospective mel-
ancholy had a dash of amusement in
it. He had grown used to the idea of
himself and the rest of humanity
squirming beneath the dissecting knife
of malignant destiny.

"Been preaching long about here?"
he went on.

The preacher looked up, half-nervously.

"No. Why do you ask?"

"Not staying long, are you?"

"No," said the preacher, with a
quiet snarl in his voice. "No, I think
I shall stay very long."

Jeff sprang to his feet, and then sat
down again. He looked hard at the
man's white face, and it looked back at
him. There was no fear in it, and the
old eyes met his steadily.

"You—you must go away," said
Jeff.

The preacher smiled a little.

"Yes—where—to the south of
France? My dear doctor, that's not for
me—at least not now. Once"—he
stopped, and his eyes grew dreamy.

"Not now," he said again.

Jeff did not speak at once.

"You must leave London, then."

"It is hardly worth while."

"You're a fool, and an enthusiast,"
said Jeff, roughly, yet with a sharp
catch in his voice, "but you're good
stuff. I've seen you when—man,
you're killing yourself!"

The preacher never winced. The
smile still lingered on his lips, though
they were set tight.

Without Due Authority

"I can't run away, doctor," he re-
plied. "I never did that, and I can't
do it now."

"You weren't meant for this work—
do you think I have no eyes? Write to
your people and tell them!"

"I have no people," answered the
preacher, and his face was very stern.

Jeff tilted his chair, waiting. It
came at last. The preacher caught his
eye, and hesitated for a moment.

"I told you a lie, then," he said.
"Go on."

"They threw me over. My father is
a clergyman. I was to have gone into
the Church. I wanted to—you don't
know how much! But I could not
accept everything they told me. I
suppose I was unorthodox."

He stopped. Jeff nodded mute en-
couragement.

"They rejected me," said the
preacher, slowly.

"Because you were honest. Yes. And
this was?"

"The only other way."

"You are a priest, all the same," said
Jeff, through his teeth.

"Without due authority," he an-
swered, as he held out his hand.

"Authority," said the little doctor,
waspishly, "is not always given to the
right man—not by the right man."

But the preacher went away silently.
He was not one of those who speak
evil of authorities.

It was a month or two later, and
London was in the grip of black, bitter
frost. In a doorway in one of the
flats, behind the Salamander Music
Hall, Jeff, haggard and anxious, stood
looking at the preacher with some-
thing like despair in his face.

"I'm stone broke," he said, "and the
girl must have nourishment or she'll
die. There's no time to apply to any-
one. Good God! what are we to do?"

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HARMONY AND VICTORY.

The Republican State Committee in deciding to appoint a committee to meet a similar committee from the Union Republicans did all that it should have done, all that was expected of it. No reasonable man can point out anything else it should have done, and yet Democratic papers are just howling over "the failure to kill the fatted calf." The "Every Evening" referring to the proposition from the Union says, "It is chilling reception by the regular managers, and the gingerly manner in which they are handling it must be widely expiating." Democratic supremacy in Delaware depends upon Republican division. Will Republicans listen to the sophistry of the Democratic editors? They have listened too often before, and aided thereby in defeat. The resolution adopted on Wednesday was as follows:

"Resolved, That the Republican State Committee of Delaware, in special meeting assembled, appreciating fully the general desire for Republican success, and realizing the necessity of a united party to accomplish that end, hereby authorizes the chairman to appoint a committee of conference to meet with a similar body named by the Union Republican State Central Committee; the said committee of conference shall consist of at least eight representatives of the several convention districts, and the chairman of this committee shall be a member of the same."

The "Smyrna Times" and a few more of the extreme Addicksites are doing more to destroy harmony than all other influences. The "Times" in quoting an excellent article on "harmony" from the "Morning News" refers to that paper as "the Higgins organ." The "Times" does this to foster prejudice, not to produce harmony and knows that in so doing it makes a false statement. It knows that the "Morning News" is anti-Addicks but has never been in any sense an organ for Senator or Higgins. This is the truth and the "Times" knows it. Why then does it misrepresent? Because that is a feature of Addicksism.

Then the "Times" refers to the "Bolton Republican State Central Committee" in the interest of harmony (?) of course. For our part we want harmony and union but our suffrage is not for sale for a mess of pottage. We glory in being "bolters" from a convention dominated as that convention was by a man who held the door to the caucus room and corralled "the Addicks men" and then ruled them as shepherds, saying "vote this down," or "vote that up." Let us have harmony but not of the "Smyrna Times" Addicks kind.

WHY IT IS THE POOR EDITOR.

Where did there ever live any save a "poor editor" of a country paper? Where is there one who does more gratuitous work for his community than the editor? Why are there so many who take advantage of the trusting country paper? Such were the queries official to us on receipt of the following official letter in answer to one of inquiry in reference to a delinquent subscriber:

WILMINGTON CITY POST OFFICE,
DELIVERY DIVISION,
WASHINGTON, D. C., Aug. 18, '97.
MR. DOWNHART, Editor and Proprietor,
Middletown Transcript, Middletown, Delaware.

Sir:—I am in receipt of your communication of August 16th, and in reply there to would inform you that your paper addressed to "J. P. Williams" is not taken out of this office, as this lady has left the city, with instructions that the paper in question be not forwarded. Her letters of course reach her, but I regret that her address cannot be indicated to you, as we are restricted in so doing by postal regulations.

Yours respectfully,
JAMES P. WILLIAMS, Postmaster.

The intention is to cheat us out of the amount due since the instructions indicate that. The absence is evidently temporary and if the money is to be made out of this party we will have it and from all similar cases.

This is one of the losses to the newspaper office and explains why the editor is poor. When we had been in Middletown but a few weeks two gentlemen called being desirous to become collectors for the paper, not solicitors but collectors. We did not understand the necessity then but we do now. There are those who will not pay until they are called on several times and not always then. Collections in this way are expensive, an expense the newspaper should not be subjected to. Should not a hint be sufficient? Look at the label on your paper. A paper worth reading is worth a dollar a year.

CHANGE WITHDRAWN.

The "Middletown Chronicle" of yesterday withdraws its charge against Hon. Robert W. Houston, the Republican candidate for Congress last fall. It does it in a meek way, but still it does it. The "Smyrna Times" this week took special pains to repeat the charge against Mr. Houston. Will it be honest, and manfully contradict? The "Chronicle" says:

"The 'Chronicle' closes its controversy with the editor of the 'Sussex Republican.' Mr. Houston says that he did not receive any money to aid his campaign in 1892, when he was a candidate for the Legislature. This statement shall stand as long as the 'Sussex Republican' chooses to abuse and vilify its neighbors and former party friends—the Union Republicans. Whenever the attack is renewed we purpose to strip the veil from off the face of more than one political prophet of Khorasan."

Mr. M. L. Hydon who is editing the "Middletown Transcript" is, so ably, so worthily of its late lamented editor, is also an inventor, a benefactor to the farmers. He has invented it is said "a corn cutter which surpasses in simplicity of design, in every particular, any corn cutter yet seen on the market."

THE LAW AND THE CONSTITUTION.

The "Every Evening" goes so far as a partisan paper as to advocate an open violation of the New Constitution in order to accomplish its partisan ends. It denies the plain ends, of course, putting its plea on the basis of economy. That is as false as anything that ever appeared in the "Every Evening" which is saying a great deal. While the "Every Evening" is partisan it has not the respect of Democrats in the State. There is not a Democratic paper in the State which has not shown up its inconsistency. While pretending to favor law and order it oversteps itself this time and its stupidity and partisanship can be read by all men.

The occasion for this extreme partisanship is as follows: There are thirteen hundred in Sussex county, each with a member of the Levy Court elected from within its borders. In 1894 there were eight candidates for the Levy Court elected upon the Republican ticket for four years among them Mr. John W. Green of Seaford. In 1896 the five members of the Levy Court elected were Democrats, the court thus standing eight Republicans and five Democrats. It seems that Levy Courtman Green is a miller and was engaged in the milling business up to Jan. 1st last, residing in Seaford, Seaford hundred. He sold out the milling business or the mill was sold and Mr. Green must look for other occupation. He having some land in North West Fork hundred went there with his family to "crop it." The question is, Did Mr. Green lose his residence in Seaford hundred? The Democrats contend that he did and has, and certain partisans made affidavit to that effect to Governor Tammelin whereupon the Governor commissioned Mr. Joseph W. Handy, a Democrat and a former member of the Levy Court, as Mr. Green's successor. The Democratic Clerk of the Peace placed Mr. Handy's name on the roll as a member of the court. The members of the Levy Court refused to recognize Mr. Handy as a member when they met, or the majority did, and by vote Mr. Green's name was restored to the roll.

It is a simple question of residence and as every experienced voter in this State knows under the law the intention of the person whose place of domicile is in dispute should decide the question. Too often a partisan majority, at elections, have fixed that intent as they had the numbers to do it without regard to the man's rights. Time and time again have men with their families "cropped it" in some other hundred, in another county, out of the State, and for months, and have returned to their "old home" to vote, having that vote accepted and thus legally fixing the residence.

The above facts are all known to "Every Evening" as fully as they are known to the writer nor will that paper deny one of them, specifying the denial. General denial is too often made to deceive. But the "Every Evening" to outpartisan the worst partisans sets itself up as judge and jury, denounces the Levy Court and Republican papers generally when the fact is they have said little of the matter. Hear it:

The Republican papers of the State, almost with one accord, are up in arms in defence of the lawless action of the Sussex county Levy Court in retaining a disqualified member in his seat after his disqualification has become apparent. They have cooked up a pretext for justification. Of the two Democratic papers published in Georgetown, where all the facts are known, the "Sussex Journal" attests itself with a brief statement and the opinion "no more than we expected," adding "the Democrats will appeal the case to the Superior Court." The "Democrat" says "it is claimed that he (Mr. Green) has removed himself and family into another hundred and is no longer a resident of Seaford." Mark the word "CLAIMED." It adds that "the Republican majority of the Levy Court acted in violation of law, citing the law:

Section three of chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes reads as follows: "No person shall be a Commissioner for a hundred unless he reside and is a freeholder therein. If a Commissioner remove from a hundred, or cease to be a freeholder therein, his office shall thereupon become vacant."

The law is plain. Did Mr. Green "remove" from the hundred so as to lose his residence? Under the former membership of the Courts the "Every Evening" would have said, "Let the Court decide." Knowing that no political question has within the last quarter of a century been decided in Delaware other than against Republicans and favorable to Democrats. We believe this is strictly the truth or we should not state it, and if not true we should appreciate a correction; not an "Every Evening" denial in general terms, no one credits such, but citing date and case. Why did not the "Every Evening" follow its former course and appeal to the Courts? Certainly it does not fear the honesty of the Court as at present constituted.

It takes another course, however, a lawless and unconstitutional course. It says:

"Some of these same Republican papers are also suffering spasms of indignation at 'Every Evening's' suggestion that the next Legislature should and the whole controversy by abolishing the Levy Court and substituting a body of five commissioners in its stead. They denounce this as a partisan suggestion, made with the purpose of changing the political complexion of the body from Republican to Democratic. But they are wrong. The suggestion is made in the interest of reform and better county government. The New Castle county Levy Court was changed in this manner, and good results followed. The old system is cumbersome and expensive, and the improvement that has been noted in New Castle county can be enjoyed also by Kent and Sussex counties through a similar change."

The implication is that the change is to take effect on the passage of the law, that Republicans are to be "legislated out" and Democrats "appointed."

In that has been the method by which the associates of "Every Evening" have maintained political supremacy in Delaware when defeated at the polls. Is it right? Who will defend it twenty years hence? But if we read aright, the New Constitution, that glorious instrument of political freedom, steps in and says to "Every Evening" you are advocating lawlessness and it cannot be done, even for your partisan purposes by a General Assembly whose right to its organization is seriously questioned. The New Constitution, section 16 of the Schedule says:

"Unless otherwise provided by this amended Constitution or Schedule, the terms of person holding public offices to which they have been elected or appointed at the time this amended Constitution and Schedule shall take effect, shall not be vacated or otherwise affected thereby."



FRIENDS' SCHOOL, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

Choice of a School.—It is far more important for the welfare of the future man that he should find the right school than the right college. What can college or counting-room do with a lad whose preparatory opportunities have been abused? There is not a life in a hundred that can then begin anew to make up his losses and achieve success. SEND FOR FRIENDS' SCHOOL CATALOGUE, WILMINGTON, DELAWARE.

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Long live the New Constitution to uphold the right and to deter wrong doers. The "Every Evening" if it ever had any shame should throw its face to the earth and cry, "Remorse! I'm caught! Remorse!" There is one other question: Has the change in the Levy Court system of New Castle county been an improvement? The assertion of "Every Evening" is, valueless, but if uncontradicted it will be accepted by the less thoughtful part of the people. If it is not true the "Morning News" should show to the contrary. The "Morning News" is "the only Republican morning daily in the State," and Republicans have a right, it seems to us, to look to it to defend Republican principles. The question of the subsequent economic result of the political steal of the Levy Court in New Castle county is at issue. How has it operated? We have understood all the time that it has been no improvement on the old. Is that right? Will the "Morning News" inform us? This is an important question, further reforms in the interest of the tax payer depending upon it. What are the facts? We want only truth.

And now a word with the Republican friends, thinkers in the party who have read thus far. Is the TRANSCRIPT correct in its opinion, on which it bases its editorials that false political statements like the above by "Every Evening" and those of other partisan papers should be persistently met and their falsity shown up? It is easier to write "pleasant things," to say "I am not my brother's keeper," "let the party interests go," The writer cannot get away to consult the thought of the party and he would appreciate the opinions of friends by letter.

WHEAT has reached the dollar mark in Middletown. All kinds of country produce are bringing good prices. As we have said the rise in wheat may not all be credited to the Dingley Tariff, but the confidence in business with improved prices is due to McKinley's election. All this while silver goes down. Wheat and wool and nearly all the articles which the farmer produces go up. "Bradstreet" in its latest issue, prints a carefully prepared statement showing the trend of prices upon a large number of articles, and in this statement shows an advance in July in wool, corn, beef, hemp, cotton, cotton-seed, oil, beans, wheat, oats, hay, potatoes, tobacco, mutton, bacon, eggs, lard, and rice. Can the farmer complain of his condition nowadays, and can he listen with any patience to the people who insisted a year ago that nothing but the free and unlimited coinage of silver would bring an advance in the price of his products?

"SPARE ME! My friends?" "Oh! for a fool-killer who will do his duty!" must be some of the expressions, the mildest expressions, of those who read a comment in the editorial columns upon their domestic affairs, calculated to arouse the curiosity of every reader and to set the gossiping tongues wagging in every direction, although the fool pretext is to quiet the matter. Better by far is a frank and truthful statement in the news columns. Solomon says, "Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out; so where there is no talebearer, the strife ceaseth."

THE COUNTY FAIRS.

Simultaneously with the approach of autumn the attention of our readers is directed to the county fairs which are held in this vicinity. As Middletown has a number of fair horses it is altogether likely that our town will be well represented at the different fairs and should carry off several of the prizes.

The Delaware State Fair at Dover which is held September 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, promises to be one of the most interesting and attractive. Besides the regular list of premiums there have a large number of special premiums, and desire every one to enter the competition for them. If you want a catalogue write to A. N. Brown, Dover, Del.

The Talbot county fair at Easton is held on August 31st to September 3d. The racing this year promises to be good and the exhibits quite numerous.

The Sixteenth annual exhibition of the Elkton fair will occur on September 7th to 10th, and in addition to the regular list of premiums, \$12,000, they have a \$400 list of specials. The racing consists of three trotting and two running races daily.

COL. WATSON AND SARATOGA.

Col. Curtis S. Watson who died at Milford a few days ago was a firm believer in Saratoga and the efficiency of its mineral waters. The "Saratoga" of that place has the following in reference to him:

"From 1841 to 1897 is a long stretch of time. Yet every summer in this period saw Curtis S. Watson of Milford, Del., a guest at Saratoga. In the middle of the first season of his absence from his favorite resort news came that the veteran is dead at the good age of eighty-eight. Many visitors remember Mr. Watson, who for more than a quarter of a century made Congress Hall his headquarters when in Saratoga. In former times his associates included all the great men who frequented the place, Commodore Vanderbilt and Garrison, Sam Ward, Judge Sackett, William H. Vanderbilt, Jacob Little, A. T. Stewart, and a host of others. Of late his company has, however, been selected from among a new and younger set, but his devotion to the old place was until the last an enthusiastic one of force. Well might it be so, for each September saw him return home strengthened and benefited by his visit. He has listened frequently to his talk of the old days at the Springs, and interesting it was. Fifty-six years ago is a long time. When Watson first went there Victoria had been only four years on the throne and practically no one knew of the waters. John Tyler was President of the United States, reigning instead of William Henry Harrison, removed by the hand of the Grim Reaper, Louis Philippe was King of the French and Louis Napoleon Bonaparte, who was destined to reign as Emperor for eighteen years was being laughed at for insane attempts to overthrow the Citizen King. California and Texas still belonged to Mexico. The war of 1846 was not dreamed of. Gold had not yet been found on the California hills. The Hudson River Railroad had not been built, and people commonly traveled by canalboat whenever practicable. It took weeks to cross the ocean by packet, and more often a full month. The slaveholding South ruled the halls of legislation at Washington and the verandas of the watering places. Rich planters formed the mainstay of the summer hotel trade. Of all these things and many more Mr. Watson talked delightfully."

Col. Watson made the following bequests in his will: "\$500 to the Avenue Church, Milford, \$500 to the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church and \$500 to the conference claimants fund of the Wilmington Conference."

MY MARYLAND.

Jack Tome, the well-known Port Deposit banker, was eighty seven years old Friday. His health is excellent.

Manly Drennen, treasurer of Cecil county, is confined to his bed from sunburn received on a sailing trip near Slaughter Beach.

The Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad is experimenting with oil as a means of laying the dust on that part of the line ballasted with gravel.

The big struggle in Baltimore for the Republican mayoralty nomination is disturbing the big fish of the party who were long for the United States Senatorship.

An insect known as the stalk borer is doing considerable damage to the corn crop in lower Cecil county. Fifty acres on the farm owned by the Eldridge Brothers, of Philadelphia, have been ruined by the insect.

Senator Charles C. Crothers, of Elkton, underwent a supplementary operation at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, for a peculiar growth on his right cheek. Senator Crothers stood the ordeal well, and hopes are entertained for his speedy recovery.

John E. Dalrymple, who was shot in the head at a "bee hunt" near Port Deposit, Md., last week, may live, although the bullet is in his brain. He is at the Delaware Hospital. The probe was inserted for a depth of two inches, but the bullet could not be removed.

The County Commissioners of Queen Anne's County on Tuesday fixed the tax rate for the present year at 90 cents on each \$100 of property subject to county taxes. The whole amount of assessable property subject to county tax is \$24,940, to which should be added \$322,494 of tax on corporations.

KENT COUNTY.

The Delawarean printing office, in Dover, will shortly put a typesetting machine, known as the Mergenthaler Linotype, in their office.

Smyrna has passed a number of ordinances restricting the bicycles, and it is now suggested that the drivers of fast horses need looking after.

The law in relation to the assignment of mortgages is being enforced in Kent county, although the New Castle Levy Court maintains that September 1st is the time for the law to go into effect.

Jacob C. Lewis, one of Dover's most prominent citizens, is experimenting on a new industry in that section—or rather one that was abandoned several years ago. He has planted an acre in sugar cane, with the object of manufacturing sorghum.

Senator J. W. Pennington, Representative B. A. Havel and Archibald Frank R. Carlwell on Monday went to Dover and met William J. Fisher and T. K. Jones & Brother, the contractors to improve the State House, and the contracts were signed. Work on the alterations will commence at once.

Unclaimed Letters.

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Middletown post-office which can be had by saying they are advertised: Emma Alfrey, E. E. Wells.

WANAMAKER'S.

PHILADELPHIA, Monday, Aug. 18, 1897.

This is Not Wanamaker's Store

In one sense—it is the people's store, owned and managed by Mr. Wanamaker, who only benefits himself and partners through the benefits secured by the store for the people. Doing the best things in gathering merchandise at points of production, economizing transportation and distribution, assuming responsibility in each transaction and charging a uniformly low commission for the service, insures mutual benefits. The people are advantaged and no one begrudges what the agent gets for his risks and cares.

The principles laid down for the business are sure to work out to the good of all concerned. Truly the big stores get bigger because the people flock to them for advantages gained. And yet the smaller stores increase in number by the trade of their localities, as the lists of the mercantile appraisers are said to show. It must not be forgotten that this business was like almost all others—very small when it began. Two thousand dollars would have paid for all in that store. Little stores as well as big ones can grow and get better all the time. Why not?

It may not be understood, but nevertheless we put it on record as our opinion that the people in city or country should supply their wants at their neighborhood stores for whatever they can buy of them advantageously. Grateful to all who show the preference for what we sell, we shall be quite content to take the leaveings with such business as would also come naturally to us, from being the first to show new goods and new fashions and from having classes of goods never seen elsewhere. There are also certain special opportunities that come to us to cheapen prices, as when we assist manufacturers in perilous conditions or supply them with orders by which to give full employment to working people in dull periods.

The reason we send wagons to Atlantic City and elsewhere in rural sections is because our customers having bought goods of us, we deliver them by our own service at their own doors, as the cheapest and best method. There will still be plenty of business for us if the people patronize well their own home and locality stores. While we prepare for business and work for it to the best of our insights, we are quite content to take that share of it that fairly comes to us because of a better service in qualities, prices and guarantees, or other satisfactions.

While we never brag of our business, and especially while others are suffering, our store has grown little by little to the full size of an entire block, and it steadily grows from week to week, and does some things better and better—as the people, one by one, find out—from day to day. Almost every one of our departments has behind it over twenty years' and some of them nearly forty years' experience.

Furniture LAST August it seemed as though the furniture stock was perfect and that values would never be surpassed. But a year of study and trying has helped wonderfully. Prove the

VAST FURNITURE STOCK at any point. A CHINA CLOSET of worthy build and graceful pattern, quartered oak, for \$12.50. Such a piece of furniture would be counted good value at \$20. And that is but a random hint.

TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY STYLES OF BEDROOM SUITES are ready, \$8 for a substantial 3-piece suite of solid oak in antique finish. At \$15 there are six styles



of bedroom suites in quartered oak—the grain as handsome as in the higher priced suites of other years. Bureau and washstand have swell front—some of the very latest designs. Such values are new. They could come only here.

Antique Oak Bedroom Suites, \$15— Full size double bedstead, 4 ft. 6 in. wide, headboard 72 in. high, ornamental top highly carved; shaped-top bureau 77 in. high, base 33 in. high, 42 in. long, 22 in. deep, swell front, 2 long and 2 short drawers, beveled plate mirror 24x30 in., ornamental standard carved top; swell-top washstand, top 18x33 in., 2 long drawers, double closet; bureau, washstand and headboard quartered oak inlaid.

Antique Oak Bedroom Suites, \$16— Full size double bedstead, carved top; 4-drawer bureau, 2 swell drawers, beveled plate mirror 24x30 in.; swell-top washstand, splashed back. Four styles at this price, including suite with chival dressing bureau.

Antique Oak Bedroom Suites, \$18— Full-size double bedstead; carved headboard; 4-drawer bureau, beveled plate mirror 24x30 in.; 3-drawer and closet washstand. Two styles at same price.

Antique Oak Bedroom Suites, \$20— Full-size double bedstead, high carved headboard; 4-drawer bureau, with beveled plate mirror 24x30 in.; swell-top washstand. Four styles at same price.

Antique Oak Bedroom Suites, \$28.50 Full-size double bedstead, high carved ornamental headboard; 4-drawer bureau, top 42x22 in., beveled plate mirror 24x30 in.; 3 drawers and closet.

Antique Oak Bedroom Suites, \$30— Full-size double bedstead, elaborately carved headboard; 4-drawer bureau, top 42x22 in.; oval plate mirror 24x30 in.; quartered oak top; washstand has 3 drawers and closet.

Bird's-eye Maple Bedroom Suites, \$30— Full-size double bedstead carved top headboard; 4-drawer bureau, top 42x22 in.; beveled plate mirror 24x30 in.; swell-

top washstand.

Curly Birch Bedroom Suites, \$40— Full-size double bedstead, high carved headboard; 4-drawer bureau, shaped top 42x22 in.; pattern plate mirror 24x30 in.; shaped top washstand.

Mahogany Bedroom Suites, \$45 Full-size double bedstead, 4-drawer bureau, top 42x22 in., pattern plate mirror 24x30 in.; swell-top washstand. Highly polished.

Mahogany Bedroom Suites, \$50— Full-size double bedstead; swell front 4-drawer bureau, top 42x22 in., beveled pattern plate mirror 24x30 in.; swell-top washstand. Suite inlaid on edges of all 3 pieces.

Bird's-eye Maple Bedroom Suites, \$48— Full-size double bedstead; high plain-top headboard; 4-drawer swell-front bureau, top 42x22 in., pattern plate mirror 24x30 in.; swell-top washstand.

Curly Birch Bedroom Suites, \$53— Full-size double bedstead; 5-drawer bureau, with long French legs, swell-top, oblong mirror 24x30 in.; swell-top washstand, 2 drawers and double closet.

Velvet Carpets A RARE offering of finest Velvet Carpets. No matter if carpet prices are mounting upward—and they are. You may choose from the forty-five styles of the finest make of Velvet Carpet, at \$1.10 A YARD FOR THE 1.35 GRADE.

There is a wide range of colorings and styles—carpets for every room and for halls and stairs. Experience proves that velvet carpets are longest and best wearers, if we except the Axminsters that cost fully as much again.

This lot will soon find owners—and there seems no possible chance of the bargain being repeated.

John Wanamaker

Wm. B. Sharp & Co.
FOURTH and MARKET STS.
Wilmington, Del.

Special for Saturday.

We shall finish up all our Wash Goods on Saturday and many bargains are here which will amply repay a visit.

All our imported Scotch Ginghams, 25c. and 40c. grade for 12½c. per yard.

All of our 15c. and 18c. fine Ginghams and Madras will be sold for 5c. per yard.

All of our Printed Ducks and Piques, 12½c. and 15c. grades for 5c. per yard.

About 25 pieces best quality, yard wide Percalé, 12½c. grade will be sold Saturday for 8c.

Household Linens

Special in Linens for Saturday:

Three thousand All-Pure Linen German Fringed Napkins or Doylies, good size with plain white, red, blue and gold borders at 5c. each.

One hundred Pure Linen German Fringed Table Cloths in 8-4, 10-4 and 12-4 sizes.

They have all white and colored borders. They will be sold for 70c., 90c. and \$1.00, according to size, and are worth 1-3 more.

The importers will not accept an order for these linens at the prices we are offering them. You should take advantage of these low prices and anticipate your wants.

Muslins.

Special for Saturday—

One more bale of heavy Unbleached Sheetting, 40 inches wide, for 7c. per yard.

Five hundred yards good quality Bleached Sheetting, 24 yards wide, at 15c. per yard.

One yard wide Bleached Muslins—

Hill for 6 cents.
Fruit of Loom, 9½ cents.
Lonsdale Cambric, 10 cents.
Pride of the West, 10 cents.

A rub or two every day with Flashin will keep everything in the house bright as a dollar. Try them at 2 for 15c.

Colgate's Antiseptic Tooth Powder is as refreshing and cleansing as any you ever used. 17c. per bottle for 25c. size.

One hundred samples bottles given away on Saturday.

Another lot of best Black Chintzes for 3c. per yard.

Black Taffeta Dress Linings, 36 inches wide, 6c. per yard.

WM. B. SHARP & CO.

BOOKKEEPING thoroughly taught for \$1 by Abrahamson's Bookkeeping Chart. No teacher required. Book giving full particulars, free. Address, Chas. M. Abrahamson, Camden, N. J. Principal and Founder Abrahamson Business College, Established 1886.

G. W. INGRAM, Middletown. S. M. ENOS, Odessa.

Ingram & Enos, AUCTIONEERS Are prepared to call sales of Real Estate Personal Property, etc., and guarantee to give satisfaction. Call on or address, for terms, etc., either at our business or prompt attention.

WE WANT FEET

(all sizes) To fit our shoes. If you've got a pair we wish you'd bring 'em to us. We don't see how we are going to get rid of a stock of the Best Shoes we ever had unless you do. The prices are next to nothing.

SHOE SALE.—Latest Tumble.

Women's Finest Oxford Ties, Colored Oxford, all in the prettiest Brown and Chocolate Shades. You've paid \$2.50 for no better. We now reduce the price on all to \$1.50.

Women's Finest Lace and Button Shoes, some have Cloth Tops, plain and fancy, the prettiest brown and chocolate shades. You've paid \$3.50 to \$4.00 for no better, and you must see them to appreciate the wonderful bargains. We now reduce the price to \$1.50 and \$2.00.

Women's Russet Leather Shoes, lace, fine kid skin, white oak soles, false stitched, not all sizes, reduced to \$1.00. Bring your feet with you.

Children's Russet Shoes, new browns; balance of stock included in one lot and all at one price, they are either button or lace, spring heel, 7 to 2, all at 79 cents the pair.

DON'T MISS THESE.

Women's Leather Belts, red, browns and blacks, the 25c kind, 10 cents.

White Bed Spreads, full size Marselles Spread, 55 cents; extra large size, 95 cents.

Best quality Marselles pattern, always sells at \$1.75, here at \$1.25; all hemmed ready for use.

Dwight Anchor Bleached Muslin, yard wide, sells regularly at 10 cents, here at 6 cents the yard.

Calico—Standard Indigo, Blue, Grays, Simpson's Best, in medium shades and colorings, 5c the yard.

Light Shirting Prints, 3½

Local News.

Every body uses Bragdon's Poultry Remedy, it cures 25 cents.

Albert Ruppel nearly cut the large toe off his right foot with a tin soap box on Monday.

Remember that J. F. McWhorter has a full line of carriage and agricultural implements on hand.

J. G. Bragdon is busy painting a large mural sign for advertising purposes at the county fair next month.

Workers were engaged on Tuesday in putting in some new rails at the railroad station, the old ones being broken.

YOUTH CHANCE.—We are determined to sell our stock of high grade bicycles, including Cresentos, Elgins and Fentons at once, for which repairs can be had at any time. All at half cost. J. C. PARKER.

W. B. Biggs sent eight horses from his stables to Wilmington on Thursday to prepare them for the race next week.

It's folly, to lose your poultry when the use of Bragdon's Poultry Remedy is guaranteed to you for 25 cents.

Forgers have been operating in the upper part of the county. It is thought they belong to an organized gang of crooks.

FARMERS, LOOK TO YOUR INTEREST.—Visit the Flour, Feed and Exchange Store of Evans & Son, next door to Parker's Harness Store. Wholesale and retail. Flour, Meal and Feed given in exchange for grain.

George W. Roberts, until recently editor of the Dover Sentinel, is contemplating starting a new penny daily in Wilmington.

Advantages of LeGore's Combination of Lime above others are, it acts quicker, lasts longer, takes less per acre. For State analysis and scientific test, testimonials, prices, &c., address J. W. LeGore, Woodboro, Md.

Chauncey P. Holcomb, of New Castle, has purchased the trotter Kentworth, record 2:11, for \$4,000, from D. P. Potter, of Texas.

PROFESSIONAL CARD.—Dr. W. E. Barnard Surgeon Dentist, office same location, opposite the post office. All operations pertaining to dentistry guaranteed. Odontoderm and Gas for painless extracting.

Delay B., owned by Joseph Manlove, of the Middletown Hotel, took first money in the 27th class at Reading on Friday of last week.

Officer Dixon on Wednesday arrested a tramp in the town limits, and on promising to leave, he was escorted to the outskirt and released.

"I was chosen out of five applicants for a position in Philadelphia, because I was a graduate of Goidley (Will. Del.) Commercial and Shortland College, and in this paper and send for free catalogues.

Colored camp meeting is in progress near St. Georges, and teams filled with colored people all headed that way on Sunday.

A new fifteen inch trunk was placed in the public road near Mr. Fred Brady's on Tuesday, by Road Commissioner J. P. Cochran.

The Odessa base ball club defeated the Ben Station team on Saturday by a score of 30 to 16, at the latter place. Wallace Holten assisted Odessa in winning the victory.

A new smoke stack is being erected at the power house. It will have a twelve foot brick base and be of steel eighty feet high and three feet in diameter.

Good Samaritan Lodge, colored, held a picnic Saturday near Hamtown. The Smyrna Band was in attendance and paraded through the town in the morning.

What has become of the numerous bicyclists of the county? It is very seldom that any of them are met in the country, though the roads have been in good condition.

The annual "Big Quarterly," which is held in Wilmington and is always attended by a great many colored people from this vicinity, will take place on the last Sunday in this month, August 29th.

E. C. Goodley, who is stated is the man that won the bicycle race at Townsend recently under the name of Johnson, has applied to the L. A. W. for admission to the professional ranks.

Under the new constitution the mode of addressing the court in liquor licenses has been changed, causing several of the hotel men who had not noticed it to republish their applications.

COAL.—We believe this is the month to buy coal, and we will be pleased to take orders up to 25th of Aug., at \$5.50 per 2240 lbs., delivered. Secure your coal before the September advance. This price means cash. G. E. HUKILL.

The Wilmington papers claim that the number of tramps in this vicinity is much less than in previous years, but a walk along the railroad below here shows quite a number of the lazy "hooboes" taking life easy.

Among the few farmers in this vicinity who still have peach orchards on the farms is Mr. F. J. Pennington, and this year his trees were well laden with good fruit. He is realizing \$1.00 a basket from the most of them.

The Middletown Academy is receiving a new coat of paint at the hands of I. T. Wilson. The interior of rooms Nos. 3 and 4 is also being repainted while the wood-work of all the rooms is being brightened up considerably.

We were the recipient this week of some Missouri peaches, and while they were large and had the same appearance as the Delaware peach, in taste they were very inferior to it. They were brought to Mr. R. W. Cochran from New York.

The dead body of Andrew Mackey, of Wilmington, was found on Saturday night near George Farrar's house, at the junction of the Fairmount and New Castle roads. Early in the day the man who was then drunk, applied at Mr. Farrar's house for something to eat.

The thunder storm on Sunday evening was very severe in this locality, the rain at times coming down in torrents. The electrical clouds effects were beautiful and enjoyed by many. Near St. Georges the storm was very heavy and at Kirkwood, the lightning struck some wheat stacks on the Lister farm.

Hugh C. Browne, Esq., a former resident of this town, burned his hand severely while fixing a Welsh light in his office in Wilmington Monday evening. It was not burning bright enough for Mr. Browne, and while trying to turn it up the top fell off, burning the fingers of his left hand. The wounds were dressed by Dr. J. C. Robinson and are doing nicely.

George Manlove and James Deaden engaged in a fist encounter in the square near J. G. Bragdon's drug store, Saturday night, and earned each other's countenances considerably. They were arrested by Officer Dixon and spent the night in the lockup. Squire Ferguson fined each of them \$25.00 on payment of which they were released.

—One dollar a bushel was offered for wheat yesterday.

—10 Bar Excellent Washing soap at DeValinger's, 25 cts.

—The season for feed and rail bird shooting begins Wednesday week, September 1st.

—Races between several horses from Glasgow will occur at Newark to-day at one o'clock.

—The Peninsula Press Association will start for the Nashville Exhibition on Saturday, September 26th.

—Mr. Victor Mesick was at Cape May this week.

—Miss Lillie Scott leaves to-day for a stay at Rehoboth.

—Mr. E. Sparks, of Chestertown, was in town this week.

—Mr. George Wilson is enjoying the sea breezes at Rehoboth.

—Mrs. T. H. Gilpin returned from Atlantic City on Monday.

—Miss Edith Reynolds is staying with friends at Dover's Beach.

—Miss Sarah Brady returned on Tuesday from a visit to Newark.

—Dr. C. H. Green, of Newark, spent Sunday with his mother here.

—Miss Katharine Pennington, of Seaford, is visiting Miss Grace Parvis.

—Mr. H. DeValinger spent Sunday last, at Brandywine Summit Camp.

—Mr. Gilpin Massey was with friends at Still Pond during the past week.

—Mr. William Vansant, of Wilmington, is spending his vacation in town.

—Miss May Unruh, of Wilmington, is the guest of Mrs. W. S. Letherbury.

—Mr. E. M. Hanson, of New York, was in town for a few days this week.

—Miss Mabel Parvis, who has been visiting in Seaford, has returned home.

—Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Prettyman, of Smyrna, were in town on Monday.

—Miss Anna Moore, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Mrs. Edward Reynolds.

—Miss Louise Vallandigham, of Newark, is the guest of Dr. I. S. Vallandigham.

—Mrs. Fred Brady is spending some time at Atlantic City, with her mother.

—Lawrence Satterfield, of Jacksonville, Florida, is the guest of T. Gilpin Massey.

—Miss Eliza Green is enjoying a visit with her brother, Dr. C. H. Green, in Newark.

—Miss Lucie Cochran was the guest of Miss Helen Chaires at Delaware City this week.

—Rev. L. L. Wood, D. D., wife and daughter are sojourning at Ocean Grove, N. J.

—Mr. Edward M. Boulden, of Philadelphia, is the guest of his aunt, Miss Viola Ennis.

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—Mr. William H. Turbutt, of Easton, Md., spent a few days of last week with friends near town.

—Mrs. Jessie L. Shepherd has been quite ill this week. Her mother, Mrs. B. F. Calk, has been with her. She is greatly improved.

—Mr. Edward Fell, of Camden, N. J., was the guest of his aunt, Mrs. John A. Reynolds on Thursday.

—Mr. Lewis M. Barnard, who has been quite sick, is slightly improved, and hopes to be out again in another week.

—Mrs. W. J. H. Lingo and daughter Emma, of Philadelphia, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Catherine Merritt, on Crawford street.

—Miss Mary Sinnickson, of Cincinnati, who has been the guest of Miss Blanche Wright at Warwick, left on Monday for a stay in Virginia.

—Mr. John M. Naudin, of Baltimore, spent Sunday with his family in town, they being the guests of Mrs. Naudin's father, Mr. W. H. Houston.

—Mr. Elliott Miller, of Greenville, Ohio, is the guest of friends in town. Mr. Miller, preaching in the place of Mr. Naudin thirty years ago, and while here is taking photographs of his old home.

—Mr. J. C. Parker joined his wife at Oxford, Md., last Saturday to spend the Sabbath, and so delightful are the sails on the Red Avon, so delicious the crabs and fish, so pleasant the surroundings that the visit has been extended to two Sundays.

—Miss Mary Shalleron is a member of a house party at the home of a friend near Torrens, Pa. She expects to leave this Monday and will have a party of eighteen visit her during the latter part of the month.

—Miss Ada Post entertained several of her friends at a tea Saturday evening. Those present were: Miss Viola Ennis, Miss Blanche Wright, Miss Martha Heaton, Miss Elizabeth Reppas, Miss Mary Sinnickson, Miss Lucie Cochran, and Miss Jessie Ford.

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—Mr. Alfred Tatum, who had his leg broken while camping at Woodland Beach last week, was brought to his home in this town on Wednesday afternoon. He stood the journey very well, his leg giving him little pain. It was placed in a plaster cast the first of the week.

—Little Miss Eliza Green entertained a number of friends on a hay ride Saturday evening, the occasion being her twelfth birthday anniversary. Among the number were: Miss Mary Williams, Helen Cochran, Susan Ford, Martha Cochran, Rowena Kelley, Martha Cochran, Justine Pevely, Katharine and Margaret Hanson, and George Kelley, Cuthbert Pevely, Herbert Chamberlain, Samuel Carpenter and Lucile Green.

—Mrs. J. T. Budd, accompanied by her daughters, Miss Mary and Lillian, returned home Monday from Watkins' Park, near Wernersville, Pa., where she has been on account of her daughter's health. Miss Mary is very much improved, having gained considerable strength during her visit. On Sunday they were joined at the park by Messrs. William Budd of Wilmington, James H. Budd, of Bethlehem, and Harry Budd, of this town.

—"Retirement," the home of Mr. Jacob S. Cochran near town was the scene of a family reunion on Wednesday, the children and grandchildren of Mr. E. W. Cochran returning to the old homestead for the day. As has been their custom for the past twelve years. The occasion was all the more pleasant this year on account of the presence of little Miss Ruth Woods, daughter of Janvier Woods, who is Mr. Cochran's only great-grandchild. In the afternoon Mr. Irving Hanson took several pictures of the family and grounds which will be treasured as souvenirs of the event. The party numbering fifty-two, consisted of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ellison and family, Mrs. G. G. Chamberlain and family, Mrs. E. M. Hanson and family, Mrs. M. P. Beaton, Mrs. F. Calk, Mrs. and Mrs. J. L. Lingo and family, Mrs. and Mrs. J. H. McDowell and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob S. Cochran and family, Mr. and Mrs. Janvier Woods and family, Miss Anita Houston, of Philadelphia, and her family, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Pennington and family, Messrs. S. M. Reynolds and A. H. Reynolds.

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—Another home is desolated by the death of little Helen C. Beck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Beck. The funeral took place on Wednesday, interment at Delaware City cemetery, Rev. H. S. Thompson conducted the services. She was held at the home of her parents near town.

—Grief and sorrow entered the home of Mr. George Ford on Saturday when death claimed for his victim the son and brother, William Holland Ford, whose years numbered scarcely 30. The deceased had been seriously ill for several months. The funeral occurred on Tuesday. Services, conducted by Rev. Geo. S. Gassner, were held at the home, interment at St. Georges cemetery. Mrs. Cummins and Mrs. Wm. Quinn, of Wilmington, and Howard Ford of Philadelphia, attended the funeral, besides many others in and near the town.

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